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Hi

I am an individual living in central Minnesota that is largely involved in the computer community. I have done a large amount of research during my high school period, continue with updated news and rumors, and of course own and use computers daily. Now I am an Apple Macintosh enthusiast. But the Microsoft anti-trust debate influences many businesses, even worldwide. I have never had support for Microsoft because of their shifty ways. Ever since the beginning of their time they have copied ideas that seem to have a great future. Anything that looks like a good idea they snatch up in a second. Many of these ideas came from Apple's technologies. Such as Microsoft's Media Player closely resembles Apple's QuickTime and Windows XP is a poor stolen idea of the new Mac OS X. Now there are many more examples out there and not all have included Apple. They have also gone much farther than the illegal standpoint. They offer particular; interesting, innovative, profitable looking; companies large amounts of money in order to steal certain shares of the market. A recent example was when Microsoft acquired Bungie Entertainment, a dual platform gaming company. They removed the upcoming release of HALO, planned to be ported to the Macintosh, and specifically forced their new subsidiary to make it exclusively for the brand new X-Box. I agree Bill Gates and the rest of the higher officials at Microsoft should be punished highly and restricted in the future from such activities as this high priced, dollar spending monopoly will do anything to get whatever is profitable and good. I thank you for your time!

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